

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the application filed on 11/30/03.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 30 November 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 11/30/03
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Arlene Powers on June 9, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please re-write claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A mobile vehicle having a compartment within which is an installation which comprises:
 - (a) a frame part having:
 - (i) first and second rigid, substantially L-shaped, frame side members respectively contained in laterally spaced parallel planes;
 - (ii) a frame first cross-member which bridges first corresponding limb portions, of said side members
 - (iii) a frame second cross-member which bridges second corresponding limb portions of said side members;
 - (b) means for securing said frame rigidly with respect to the vehicle body;
 - (c) a front wall panel member hingedly connected to said frame first cross-member;
 - (d) first and second side wall panel members respectively hingedly connected to said front wall panel member substantially at the edges thereof;

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(e) a lid panel member hingedly connected to said second limb portions of said frame side wall members; and in which,

(f) ~~the several aforesaid parts (a)-(e) of said structure~~ are constructed, arranged and adapted such that the front and side wall panel members are respectively pivotal between a first configuration in which said front and side wall panel members are in a compact relationship and a second configuration in which they are fully erect;

(g) said lid panel member is pivotal about the hinge axis defined by its hinge connections with said second limb portions of said frame side members ~~such so~~ as, with said ~~fixed rear front~~ front wall panel and side wall panel members in the erect configuration, to effect closure of the an uncapped volume defined by said upstanding front and side wall panel members, thereby to constitute said a security chamber; and,

(h) said lid panel member incorporates means operative, with said lid panel member serving as the closure member for said uncapped volume, to lock the side wall panel members against movement about their hinge connections with the front wall panel member .

2. (Currently Amended) A vehicle as claimed in claim 1 in which: ~~the several~~ said members of said frame part are each of tubular form;

said panel members each comprise a metal panel part and, extending around a marginal zone of each said panel part, an endless sub-frame ~~composed~~ composed of tubular members to which the relevant metal panel part is substantially irremovably united, ~~as by welding~~; and,

said hinge connections are constituted as connections between said tubular members, ~~whether of said frame or of said sub-frames~~.

5. (Currently Amended) A vehicle as claimed in claim 2 in which:

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the hinge connection between said lid panel member and said second limb portions of said frame side members are at locations intermediate the ends of said second limb portions, and said frame second cross-member is located at or in close proximity to, the free ends of said second limb portions, ~~there is a cross member~~ and is integral therewith.

6. (Currently Amended) A kit of parts ~~having the several constituent parts thereof~~ adapted and constructed ~~such~~ so as to enable said ~~constituent~~ parts to be assembled ~~such~~ so as to constitute an installation in a vehicle, being an installation as specified in claim 1.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The primary reason for the allowance of claims 1-5 is that the prior art of record does not disclose or suggest a vehicle having a compartment within which is an installation with first and second L-shaped frame side members, a first cross member, a second cross member, a front wall panel pivotally connected to the first cross member, first and second side wall members hingedly connected to the front wall member and a lid panel member hingedly connected to the second limb portions of the frame side members wherein the front wall member and the side wall members pivot between a compact first position and an erect second position and the lid panel member acts as a closure for an uncapped volume created by the erect position of the front wall member and side wall members, in combination with the other elements recited. The primary reason for the allowance of claim 6 is that the prior art of record does not disclose a kit of part for an installation wherein the installation includes all of the limitations (parts a-h) of claim 1.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patricia L Engle whose telephone number is (703) 306-5777.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 8:00 to 4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, D. Glenn Dayoan can be reached on (703) 308-3102. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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